(d) whether it is a fact that the steel plant at Visakhapatnam is reporting higher operational costs; and

(e) if so, the steps preposed to rectify such problems?

THE MINISTER OP STEEL AND MINISTER OP MINES (SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA): (a) No. Sir.

(b) Does not ((rise in view of (a) above.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise in view of (d) above.

Implementation of Dharti Putra Welfare Scheme

1002. SHRI GOVINDRAM MOU:
SHRI PARAG CHALIHA:

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of States selected for "Dharti-
Putra Welfare Scheme" and names of States where this scheme has already been implemented;

(b) whether a number of proposals alongwith- the amount involved therein were submitted by some Govemment under this Scheme;

(c) if so, die details thereof; and

(d) the time to be taken for finally deciding the clearance of diese proposals?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) There is no such scheme being implemented by die Ministry.

(b) to (d) Does not arise.

आंठवीं और नौवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना में अनुसूचित जाति, अनुसूचित जनजाति और पिछड़े वर्गों के लिए खर्च की गई/प्रस्तावित धनराशि

1003. **श्री रामजीलाल** : क्या कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजन के दौरान अनुसूचित जाति, अनुसूचित जनजाति और पिछड़े वर्गों के लिए अलग-अलग कितनी धनराशि खर्च की गई है; और

(ख) नौवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना में इन जातियों/पिछड़े: वर्गों के लिए अलग-अलग कितनी धनराशि प्रस्तावित है?

कल्याणं मंत्री (श्री बलवन्त सिंह रामूवालिया) : (क) आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान अनुसूचित जातियों, अनुसूचित जनजातियों तथा पिछड़े वर्गों के कल्याण के लिए व्यय इस प्रकार है:-

1. अनुसूचित जाति विकास रुपए 2756.59 करोड़

2. अनूसूचित जनजाति विकास रुपए 1974.61 करोड़

3. पिछड़ा वर्ग विकास रुपए 117.08 करोड़

(ख) नौवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान अनुसूचित जातियों/ अनुसूचित जनजातियों तथा पिछड़े वर्गों के कल्याण के लिए निम्नलिखित धनराशि का प्रस्ताव किया गया है।

1. अनुसूचित जाति विकास रुपेए 13774.69

2. अनुसूचित जनजाति विकास रुपए 7406.47 करोड़

3. पिछड़ा वर्ग विकास रुपए 5972.50 करोड़

Committee to study the functioning of NGO's

1004. SHRI VED PRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Govemment have appointed a Committee to study the functioning of Non-Govemment Organisations in die country to ensure that funds provided by Government are properly utilised;

(b) me amount of funds received by Non-Government Organisations from foreign countries and purpose thereof during last five years;

(c) whether Govemment have come across any irrequlanities in the working of Non-Govemment Organisations; and

(d) the details of die terms of reference of above Committee?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) and (d) The proposal is under active consideration of the Govemment.

(b) This is regulated by the Ministry of Home Affairs and no separate record is maintained in respect of NGO's working in Welfare sector.

(c) Some representations/complaints have been received, based on which Grants-in-aid have been stopped in respect of 22 NGO's since 1994-95 and the concerned State Governments have been requested for detailed enquiry in respect of 5 NGO's.

Welfare Schemes of Bihar pending with Central Government

1005. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some welfare schemes of Bihar have been pending with the Central Govemment for approval;

(b) if so, the details of such schemes as on date and since when these schemes are pending;

(c) the reasons for die delay in sanctioning the same;

(d) me amount likely to be spent thereon; and

(e) by when die said schemes are likely to be sanctioned?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) (i) Large amount are held up for release under SCA to Tribal Sub Plan and Grants under Article 275(i) of the Constitution for want of utilisation certificates. Thus in 1994-95 allocation under SCA was Rs. 3384.10 lakhs out of which Rs. 1748.70 lakhs was released Similarly, total allocation for 1995-96 was Rs. 4140.01 lakhs out of which Rs. 274.22 lakhs was released. The reason for low release was that the State Govemment could not submit the utilisation certification for previous year (s).

(ii) Post-Matric Scholarships to students belonging to scheduled Casted/Scheduled Tribes.

(iii) Gant-in-aid to Voluntary Organisations.

(iv) Scheme for Welfare of Street Children.

(v) Scheme for Welfare of the Aged.

Some of the proposals have been received recently while some other are pending for upto two years.

In some cases funds are not avilable under the relevant schemes in the current year.

(e) As soon as the State Governemnt furnishes die required utilisation certificates.

Welfare Schemes for Economically Weaker Sections in Bhiar

1006. SHRI GYAN RANJAN: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of die welfare schemes started for the economically weaker sections of Bihar alongwith the amount allocated under these schemes during each of the last three years;

(b) whether diese funds have been utilised properly; and

(c) if so, me number of persons benefited under diese schemes?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) to (c) A statement is enclosed .

Statement

Welfare Schemes for Economically Weaker Sections m Bihar

S. No.	Name of the Scheme	Amoaat afocatod (Rupees in lakh) 1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	Amount otiftod AS reported (Rupees in lakh)			No. of beneficiaries 1993-94	1994-95	1995-96
1.	SCAtoTBI	3497.39	1748.70*	274.22*	NR	275.22	470.24	NR	J17	207*7
2.	Grants under Article 275(1) of the constitution	801.50	725.25	725.25	NR	227.64	NR	NR	NR	NR
3.	PRE-EXAMINATION COACHING SCHEME				NIL	15.01	15.0*			

NR. Not Reporteds.

*The total allocation during he year 1994-95 was Rs. 3384.10 lakhs out of which Rs. 1748.70 lakhs were released Similariy total allocatiions during the year1995-96 was Rs. 4140.01 lakhs Rs. out of Rs. 274.22 lakhs was released The reason for low releason was the State Government did not send the utillsstion certificates for provius years (s)